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WSS ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

The Washington Statistical Society (WSS) invites all members, family, friends and colleagues to the 2023 Holiday Party on Wednesday, December 6 at 5:00 - 7:30 PM. The event will take place at District Chophouse, an American-style restaurant, located near Capital One Arena. Bring your mentors and mentees!

Tickets are available for purchase up until the day of the event on Tuesday, December 6 at 5:00pm. If possible, please purchase your ticket by 12/1 to help us provide the restaurant a more accurate head count.

Ticket Prices: \$35 Pre-Paid, \$30 Students, \$40 At Door

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-wss-holiday-party-tickets-753915711187?aff=oddtcreator>

Menu: Artisanal Cheese (V), Seasonal Fruits (V), Mini Crab Cakes, Sliders, Desserts (V) and more!

Drinks: Tickets include non-alcoholic beverages (soda, coffee, tea). Cash bar available for beer, wine and spirits.

Need to pay by check? Contact Leanna at leannaxmoron@gmail.com

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

2024 WSS Student Travel Competition Application

The Washington Statistical Society (WSS) is offering travel support to a local area student in a statistics or related discipline's degree program. The support includes \$800 plus early-bird student conference registration to one American Statistical Society (ASA) meeting or conference between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025. A full list of eligible events may be found on [ASA's website](#). Applicants are strongly encouraged to attend one or more eligible events. A one-year student membership to the ASA and a one-year student membership to the WSS are also granted to the winner.

Applications are **due at 11:59 p.m. EST on January 5, 2024**, and the winner will receive notification by January 19, 2024.

Eligibility

Applicants must be enrolled in the fall 2023 semester in a degree-seeking program in DC, MD, or VA. Eligible majors include statistics or related disciplines (applied statistics, biostatistics, data science, etc.). Previous WSS Student Travel Award winners are not eligible.

Application Process

Applications must include:

1. The completed application form provided on the next page.
2. A copy of the most recent transcript or advising report from your university.
3. A double-spaced essay, no more than two pages, describing: your interest in statistics (including projects, internships, and/or assistantships) and activities to help improve the field of statistics (including teaching, mentoring, advising, collaborating, and service), and your interest in attending and presenting at an ASA meeting or conference.
4. A letter of support from a faculty member or ASA member, indicating knowledge of any funding support the student has already received to attend an ASA meeting or conference.

To apply, please email your academic transcripts, essay, and completed application form to the WSS Student Travel Competition Chair, Andreea Erciulescu (AndreeaErciulescu@westat.com) with the subject line WSS STUDENT TRAVEL COMPETITION. The letter of support should be sent by the reference.

Deadlines

1. The applicants email the application package to the WSS Student Travel Competition Chair with the subject line WSS STUDENT TRAVEL COMPETITION by 11:59 p.m. EST on January 5, 2024.
2. The competition winner is notified by January 19, 2024.
3. The competition winner must confirm their travel support acceptance by January 23, 2024. Failure to confirm the travel support may lead to removal as a winner.
4. The competition winner attends an ASA meeting or conference between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025.
5. The competition winner attends the WSS Annual Dinner in the spring of 2024, where they are recognized. The cost of the dinner is covered by the WSS.
6. The competition winner prepares an essay on their experience at the ASA meeting/conference. The essay will be published in the upcoming WSS Newsletter.

The applicants can address any questions to the WSS Student Travel Competition Chair, Andreea Erciulescu (AndreeaErciulescu@westat.com).

Good luck, and we hope to see you at an ASA meeting/conference in the near future!

2024 WSS Student Travel Competition Application Form

Applicant Name: _____ Full time student ☐ Part-time ☐

Department: _____

University: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____

Degree: _____ Anticipated graduation date: _____

Are you considering other funding sources to attend an ASA meeting or conference? YES ☐ NO ☐

If YES, please describe:

Are you planning to present a paper or poster at an ASA meeting or conference? YES ☐ NO ☐

If YES, please describe (event(s), date(s), paper or poster title(s)):

Have you previously attended any professional meetings on statistics or a related discipline? YES ☐ NO ☐

If YES, please describe (meeting(s), location(s), date(s)):

Are you currently part of, or do you have plans to join, the WSS mentoring program (or another ASA mentoring program)? YES ☐ NO ☐

If YES, please describe:

Are you currently a member of the WSS? YES ☐ NO ☐

Are you currently a member of the ASA? YES ☐ NO ☐

Scoring Sheet (FOR JUDGES ONLY)

1. The completed application form.
 - a. If missing, then disqualify from competition.
2. A copy of the most recent transcript or advising report from their university.
 - a. If missing, then disqualify from competition.
3. A double-spaced essay, no more than two pages, describing: their interest in statistics (including projects, internships, and/or assistantships) and activities to help improve the field of statistics (including teaching, mentoring, advising, collaborating, and service), and their interest in attending and presenting at an ASA meeting or conference.
 - a. If missing, then disqualify from competition.
 - b. If available, then score (score 1-5, with highest being 5) the following:
 - i. Clarity of writing
 - ii. Projects, internships, assistantships
 - iii. Teaching, mentoring, advising, collaborating, and service
4. A letter of support from a faculty member or ASA member, indicating knowledge of any funding support the student has already received to attend an ASA meeting or conference.
 - a. If missing, then disqualify from competition.

Note. Items 1, 2 and 4, in addition to the WSS President's input, will be used in the event of a tie.

WSS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PROGRAMS, COMMITTEES

Last updated on 7/13/2023.

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Additional Voting Members

Office	Name	Term	E-mail
Past President	Erin Tanenbaum	7/1/23-6/30/24	Tanenbaum-Erin (norc.org)
Council of Chapters Representative	Taylor Lewis	1/1/22-12/31/24	thlewis (rti.org)

¹ Note: all WSS Board of Directors/Officers are also voting members

Programs (non-voting members)

Program	Chair		E-mail
Methodology Program, Chair ²	Katherine Irimata	7/1/23-6/30/24	Oui4 (cdc.gov)
Program Coordinators			
Short Courses	Danny Yang	7/1/23-6/30/24	Yang.Daniel (bls.gov)
Agriculture and Natural Resources	Open		
Data Collection Methods	Open		
Defense and National Security	Wendy Martinez	7/1/23-6/30/24	martinezw (verizon.net)
Economics	Michael Jadoo	7/1/23-6/30/24	Jadoo.Michael (bls.gov)
Human Rights	Michael P. Cohen	7/1/23-6/30/24	mpcohen (juno.com)
Public Health and Biostatistics (Co-Chairs)	Grant Izmirlian	7/1/23-6/30/24	izmirlian (nih.gov)
	Carolyn Carroll	7/1/23-6/30/24	carolyn (stattech.com)
Public Policy	Walter Hill	7/1/23-6/30/24	WWHill (smcm.edu)
Data Science	Chris Marokov	7/1/23-6/30/24	Chris.Marokov (uspto.gov)
Quality Assurance	Open		
Social and Demographic Statistics	Open		

² Methodology Section Chair-Elect

Committees (non-voting members)

Committee	Member		E-mail
Communications Committee, Chair	see Board of Directors		
Web Master	Chris Moriarity	7/1/23-6/30/24	cdm7 (cdc.gov)
WSS Newsletter Editor	Colleen Choi	7/1/23-6/30/24	wss.editor (gmail.com)
Spotlight	Open		
Employment Column Coordinator	Open		
Electronic Mail Committee	Vince Massimini	7/1/23-6/30/24	vince (massimini.us)
Social Media Manager	Phil Kalina	7/1/23-6/30/24	phil (philkalina.com)
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	Maura Bardos	7/1/23-6/30/24	maura.bardos (gmail.com)
	Jessica Hoehner	7/1/23-6/30/24	Jessmhoehner (gmail.com)
Student Representative Chair	Open		
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Quantitative Literacy Committee, Chair	Sabrina Zhang	7/1/23-6/30/24	SabrinaZhang (westat.com)
QL Poster Competition	Open		
QL Volunteer Coordinator	Dan Sherman	7/1/23-6/30/24	ratitekeeper (yahoo.com)
QL Science Fair Coordinator	Jiashen You	7/1/23-6/30/24	Jiashen.You (gmail.com)
Statistics Education Committee (inactive), Chair	Open		
Mentoring Committee, Chair	Amy Lin	7/1/23-6/30/24	Amylin (westat.com)
Committee Members	Benmei Liu	7/1/23-6/30/24	liub2 (mail.nih.gov)
	Mark Otto	7/1/23-6/30/24	Mark.Ot2o (gmail.com)
	Jaki McCarthy	7/1/23-6/30/24	Jaki.don (gmail.com)
	Michael Messner	7/1/23-6/30/24	mjaymessner (gmail.com)
	Amanda Koepke	7/1/23-6/30/24	amanda.koepke (nist.gov)

Diversity Committee, Chair	Michael Jadoo	7/1/23-6/30/24	Jadoo.Michael (bls.gov)
Committee Member	Darryl Creel	7/1/23-6/30/24	dcreel (rti.org)
Membership Committee, Chair	John Czajka	7/1/23-6/30/24	JohnLCzajka (gmail.com)
WSS/SRMS Committee on ASA Fellows, Chair	Daniell Toth	7/1/23-6/30/24	toth.daniell (bls.gov)
Committee Members	Sallie Ann Keller	7/1/23-6/30/24	sak9tr (virginia.edu)
	Tom Krenzke	7/1/23-6/30/24	tomkrenzke (westat.com)
	Jennifer Parker	7/1/23-6/30/24	jdp3 (cdc.gov)
	Stephanie Shipp	7/1/23-6/30/24	sss5sc (virginia.edu)
Committee Member (President-Elect)	See Board of Directors	See Board of Directors	
Financial Audit Committee	Chris Moriarity	7/1/23-6/30/24	cdm7 (cdc.gov)
	Michael P. Cohen	7/1/23-6/30/24	mpcohen (juno.com)
Historical Committee, Chair	Open		

Award Committees (non-voting members)

Award Committee	Member		E-mail
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Committee Members	President		See Board of Directors
	Past President		See Board of Directors
	President-Elect		See Board of Directors
Hansen Lecture Committee, Chair	Jenny Thompson	2023	katherine.j.thompson (census.gov)
Past Chair	Partha Lahiri	2023	plahiri (umd.edu)
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Committee Member, Chair Elect On-Deck	William Bell	2023	William.r.bell (census.gov)
NASS Committee Member	Linda Young	2023	Linda.Young (nass.usda.gov)
Westat Committee Member	Jeri Mulrow	2023	JeriMulrow (westat.com)
Herriot Award Committee (GSS)	a committee comprising representatives of the ASA Social Statistics and Government Statistics sections and the Washington Statistical Society		
WSS Representative	Devi Chelluri	1/1/23-12/31/25	Chelluri-Devi (norc.org)
Shiskin Award Committee	See the ASA website for a full list of committee members and terms		
Committee Members	President	2023	See Board of Directors
	Past-President	2023	See Board of Directors
Student Travel Award	Andreea Erciulescu	7/1/23-6/30/24	AndreeaErciulescu (westat.com)

FROM THE WSS NEWS EDITOR

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